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PATENT APPLICATION

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| Applicant: | MANNING et al. | Examiner: | Foreman, J. |
| Serial No.: | 10/041,911 | Group Art Unit: | 3736 |
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| Title: | STEERABLE GUIDE CATHETER WITH PRE-SHAPED ROTATABLE SHAFT | | |

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 28, 2007.

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2006, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, the Applicant submits the present amendment and response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

Claims 1-15, 24-42, 44-48, and 50-54 remain pending in the application. Claims 1, 24, 44, 45, 50, and 51 have been amended. Claims 43 and 49 have been canceled. No claims have been added. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 11 of this paper.